STATE OF CONNECTICUT

House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 514

February Session, 2006

Substitute House Bill No. 5079

House of Representatives, April 13, 2006

The Committee on Appropriations reported through REP. MERRILL of the 54th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADVANCED STUDY IN MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE INITIATIVE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2006*) The Board of Trustees for the
- 2 Community-Technical Colleges shall establish the Advanced Study in
- 3 Mathematics and Science Initiative. The initiative shall prepare
- 4 students enrolled in a high school or regional vocational-technical
- 5 school for higher education through programs of study designed for
- 6 rigorous preparation in mathematics and science.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following			
sections:			

Section 1 July 1, 2006 New section

HED Joint Favorable Subst. C/R APP

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The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 07 \$	FY 08 \$
Colleges, Regional CommTech.	GF - Cost	410,000	410,000

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

Funds totaling \$410,000 have been included in the FY 07 budget as passed by the Appropriations Committee to establish an Advanced Study in Math and Science Initiative to service approximately 500 state high school students.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.

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OLR Bill Analysis sHB 5079

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SUMMARY:

This bill requires the Community-Technical College Board of Trustees to establish an Advanced Study in Math and Science Initiative to prepare high school and state vocational-technical (V-T) school students for college. The initiative must offer programs designed for rigorous preparation in math and science.

The board has already established a High School Partnership Program. The program permits individual community colleges to enter written agreements with local school districts, V-T schools, and parochial schools to admit their qualifying students on a space-available basis. The college pays the students' tuition costs and waives all fees. The school and the student are responsible for transportation and book costs.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2006

COMMITTEE ACTION

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute Change of Reference Yea 17 Nay 0 (02/23/2006)

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute Yea 50 Nay 0 (03/31/2006)